



# On-Target for Kentucky Kids

## REGIONAL COORDINATORS ATTEND NEW TRAINING; DISTRICT STRUCTURES DEVELOPED

August 26, 2006: Kentucky's nine regions have now been divided into district alignments to be used in the upcoming district, regional and state tournament structures.

The new structure, which will take effect in the 2006-2007 school year, will have schools competing at the county or district levels and "earning" their spot in the regional tournaments by winning their team

national shoot site.

Regional meetings will be held in the fall with the Coordinators and KDFWR's Jennie Richardson, who serves as the state NASP leader. Look for these dates and plan to attend your region's meeting in order to learn the specific details of each district and regional tournament.

Several procedure and rule changes were also discussed and voted upon by Coordinators.

First, a standard method of shooting will be enforced this year. What this entails is ensuring that ALL students are shooting with three fingers under the arrow. Secondly ALL shooters will be required to anchor in the corner of their mouths, instead of being able to anchor at various positions (also known as "face walking"). In addition, only one nock point will be allowed on the string.

Any failure to adhere to these rules will result in disqualification from the tournament.

Another change that has been implemented is in regards to the size of the competition teams. A "team" will be designated by 16 shooters, with at least five members required to be of the opposite gender. To obtain the "team score," the top four female and the top four male scores will be added to the next four highest scores (regardless of gender) for the overall total. This reduction in size is in response to smaller schools who have had difficulty fielding enough shooters to participate in the team event.

Also be on the lookout for upcoming new archery-related professional developments and training in your area!



Kentucky NASP coordinator Jennie Richardson and Regional Coordinators attended a recent training at Camp Earl Wallace.

or individual awards in the elementary, middle or high school categories. Upon completion of the regional tournaments, the top team and the top individual for the different age categories will advance to the state tournament, whereupon they will shoot for state titles and the chance to advance to the national tournament to be held at an undecided location.

This new format of district, regional, state and national tournament competitions will allow more young archers the opportunity to compete in a tournament setting and experience "tournament nerves," as well as affording them the opportunity to meet other young archers from around their district and region. Because our state and national tournaments were rapidly outgrowing the space available, we will now be able to hold our tournaments in a wider variety of locations and move them around so that we are able to include many more states at the



## NASP Continues to Grow in US

By: Roy Grimes, President, NASP Foundation

The news from the National Archery in the Schools Program just keeps getting better. Keeping in mind the original goal of 120 schools in Kentucky by 2005, the program is now active in over 500 schools in Kentucky alone. As of this writing, NASP is active in 39 states and Australia. According to NASP State Coordinators, NASP will be active in 2,667 schools by December, 2006 with 667,000 students expected to go through the program in school year '06-'07. Already, 10 states have NASP active in over 100 schools.

This year's highlights are encouraging. There were 25 state representatives that attended the first ever NASP State Coordinator's Conference in Louisville following the state tournament in March. These coordinators freely exchanged ideas and information concerning ideas and opportunities from their states. Maine, Kansas and Nevada have joined the program and should be putting bows in their students' hands now. Three new states have committed to implementing the program; Alaska will be state number 40 on September 23, 2006, with New Hampshire and South Dakota scheduled to start in early 2007. Several more states and Canadian provinces are increasingly interested in joining and the kids from "Down Under" will get to experience the joy of archery as Australian educators came to the U.S. to be trained and certified.

Additionally, several states have now hired dedicated NASP coordinators whose sole responsibility will be overseeing the success of NASP in their states, and monetary donations have started rolling in to help us keep our momentum going in the right direction.

With all the success of 2006, 2007 looks brighter than ever. Good luck this year!

## Notes from Jennie Kentucky NASP State Coordinator

By Jennie Richardson, KDFWR  
Ky. State Coordinator, NASP Program

The date for the Kentucky tournament, rules changes, districting and success stories were all major topics of conversation at our Regional Coordinator's training held the last of August at Camp Earl Wallace. All nine regional coordinators were able to attend and receive information, training and have direct input in the new developments of Kentucky NASP.

First, the date for the state tournament has been set for Monday, April 2, at the International Convention Center in Louisville. This tournament will showcase the top teams and individuals from all nine regions, as this will allow for every team in the state to be eligible to "win their way" into the state and tournament venues.

There are some very distinctive rule changes that will be implemented beginning in the '06-'07 season including: \* Arrows should be nocked in the same place every time; \*three fingers are required to be UNDER the nock; \*index finger should be touching the nock; and \*ALL archers will be required to anchor in the corner of their mouth. Archers must use the same nocking and anchor points for each shot. Face and/or string walking will not be permitted. There will be no draw checks and archers must have their index finger touching the arrow nock. (In the case of physical disability, a chew strap may be used in the place of fingers.) As always, there will be no marks allowed on the sight window, string or bow to use as an aiming reference.

We are very pleased to see our Kentucky NASP students branching out to experience archery all over the world. There were students from Kentucky at every major IBO and ASA 3-D tournament this year; there were Kentucky kids shooting in Vegas this year; there were Kentucky students placing in the top archers in the world in FITA and JOAD competitions! We're very proud of these kids and their accomplishments and look forward to seeing what is to come in '07!

On a personal note, I have experienced my best season in my own personal competitive shooting since 2001, winning one National Tournament and placing in the top 10 in several others. I would like to thank each of you for your continued support in these efforts, it really means a lot to hear from you all!

# National Schedule

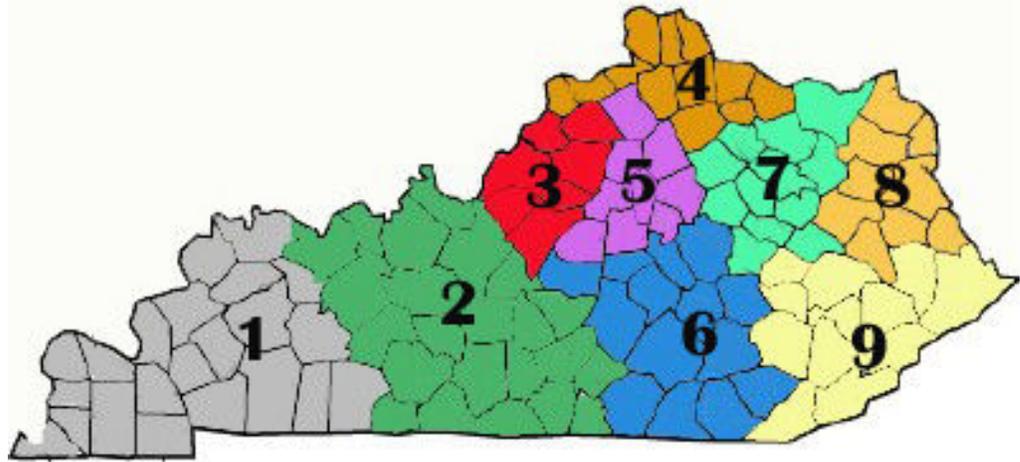
By: Mark Elam  
Newsletter Editor

One of the most exciting parts of coaching a group of archery students is the day that they ask where they can go to shoot in the days or weeks to come. At that point you begin to realize that you have done a good job with your coaching and that your students really enjoy what you have been teaching.

As an organization, Kentucky NASP has reached this point. Both students and parents are asking not only for local shoot information, but for any information available on the national tournaments and events as well. With this in mind, here is a pretty complete 2007 schedule of the ASA, IBO and NFAA events. Please make this schedule available to your students.

2/2-4 ASA Gainesville, FL  
2/9-11 NFAA Las Vegas, NV  
2/23-25 IBO Wetumpka, AL  
3/2-4 ASA Hattiesburg, MS  
3/16-18 IBO Calhoun, GA  
3/23-25 ASA Paris, TX  
3/30-4/1 NFAA Louisville  
4/13-15 IBO Pensacola, FL  
4/20-22 NFAA Pittsburg, PA  
4/27-29 ASA Augusta, GA  
5/4-6 Redding Shootout  
5/18-20 IBO Bedford, IN  
6/1-3 ASA Site Pending  
6/15-17 IBO McKean, PA  
6/29-7/1 ASA Metropolis, IL  
7/6-8 IBO Nelsonville, OH  
7/27-29 NFAA Natl. Field Championship  
8/2-5 IBO Worlds  
8/10-12 ASA Classic

## REGIONAL CONTACT INFORMATION



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- **Region 2 Ronda Jordan-Elam (rjelam@mchsi.com) :** Simpson, Allen, Warren, Butler, Ohio, Daviess, Hancock, Breckinridge, Grayson, Edmonson, Barren, Monroe, Metcalfe, Hart, Hardin, Meade, LaRue, Green, Taylor, Adair, Cumberland, Russell and Clinton
- **Region 3 Lisa Frye (lisa.frye@frankfort.kyschools.us) :** Jefferson, Oldham, Henry, Shelby, Spencer, Bullitt, Spencer and Nelson
- **Region 4 Brenda Klaas (brenda.klaas@boone.kyschools.us) :** Trimble, Carroll, Gallatin, Boone, Kenton, Campbell, Grant, Pendleton, Bracken, Mason, Harrison and Robertson
- **Region 5 Anita Bolen (anita.bolen@frankfort.kyschools.us) :** Owen, Fayette, Scott, Franklin, Woodford, Anderson, Washington, Mercer and Jessamine
- **Region 6 Richard Allen (livingwater@kih.net) :** Marion, Boyle, Garrard, Madison, Casey, Lincoln, Rockcastle, Jackson, Pulaski, Laurel, Wayne, McCreary, Whitley, and Knox
- **Region 7 Wiley Faw (Wiley.Faw@bourbon.kyschools.us):** Lewis, Fleming, Nicholas, Rowan, Bourbon, Bath, Clark, Montgomery, Menifee, Estill, Powell and Wolfe
- **Region 8 Denise Boggs (denise.boggs@elliott.kyschools.us):** Greenup, Carter, Boyd, Elliott, Lawrence, Morgan, Johnson, Magoffin and Martin
- **Region 9 ISG Wayne Watts (wayne.watts@letcher.kyschools.us):** Lee, Breathitt, Floyd, Pike, Owsley, Perry, Knott, Clay, Leslie, Letcher, Harlan and Bell

## “NASP @ THE ASA” COMPETITION HELD IN METROPOLIS, ILLINOIS



The “NASP at the ASA” competition held in Metropolis, IL on June 30 and July 1 was a huge success. Over 100 shooters braved the sweltering heat and incessant bugs to compete in this great event. With temperatures hovering around the century mark, NASP kids from around the country shot the usual 30 arrow competition, which was followed by a 10 target 3-D round with the targets placed at unknown distances.

But that was only the beginning...The biggest fun of all was when the pro shooters from Mathews and many other different bow companies showed up and were matched with NASP kids for a team competition. One pro shooter was overheard saying, “I can’t believe how well these kids shoot!” Of course, all the shooters were shooting NASP equipment, including the pros who seemed to feel out of place without their competition bows, sights and arrows. A lot of the NASP kids even beat the pro shooters in their group and were understandably proud.

At the conclusion of the team shoot, awards were given to the winning teams. The awards given were not the usual trophy or medallion, but Genesis bows, Easton 1820 arrows, NASP style targets and a variety of 3-D targets were awarded instead—thanks to several sponsors.

A great big “thank you” needs to be given to all the pro shooters that participated in this special event as well as to the ASA for hosting the tournament. The students that took part in the team shoot will never forget the experience and each and every one of them brought home a ton of advice from the pros that will help them with their pursuit of archery for the rest of their lives.

This event showcased the sense of family that is shared by most everyone that is involved in competitive archery, and showed our students that no matter how good you become in your chosen pursuit, you should always take the time to help others with less experience. If we can continue to include these life lessons in our archery experiences, we can make the world a better place, and even have fun at the same time.



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## *News from across the state.....*

### **Region I: Tina Davis/Graham Cofield, Trigg County**

Graham Cofield has been appointed the duties of interim Regional Coordinator in Region 1. Graham is a 2006 graduate of Trigg County High School and 4 time NASP National Champion. Currently enrolled at Western Kentucky University, he is still active in the archery program, acting as NASP consultant for several Region 1 schools.

The level of experience and professionalism that Graham brings to the Coordinator’s position will be a huge asset to the Kentucky program. Most in the archery world know that you will never find a nicer young man who is always willing to help out a fellow archer.

Graham will be taking over the coordinator duties formerly held by Tina Davis, the most successful coach in the history of NASP. Ms. Davis has been forced to temporarily resign her position of Region 1 Coordinator due to health issues.



The coordinators ask that everyone keep Tina in their thoughts and prayers with wishes for a speedy recovery.

In addition to Graham’s new responsibilities as Region 1 Coordinator, he will also be taking his competitive archery to a new level. Graham will be moving into the “Limited Pro” division, shooting for Mathews Archery. The division of “Limited Pro” requires shooters to use their fingers—not a release during their shot, similar to what Graham has been so successful with his Genesis bow.

If you have a chance to see or speak with Graham, be sure to congratulate him on his many accomplishments and wish him luck in his new endeavors.

Contact him at [grahamcofield@hotmail.com](mailto:grahamcofield@hotmail.com) to schedule a training in your area.

## Region II: Ronda Jordan-Elam, Monroe County

My husband, Mark, and I had the pleasure of coordinating and directing the youth events this year for the Archery Shooters Association (ASA). In all, we ran the youth events, known as the “Eagle” classes, at nine national ASA events all across the southeast United States. While the Eagle classes are primarily target archery with advanced archery equipment, we were able to run NASP style competitions at ASA Pro-Am locations in Columbus, GA, Augusta, GA, Oak Ridge, TN and Metropolis, IL.

Even though we were working with kids who are accustomed to shooting 3-D archery, the NASP style competition was embraced and great fun was had by all. The kids soon learned that by using the techniques taught in NASP classes, they were able to improve their shooting skills with their 3-D competition equipment. The string bow was especially helpful, as we were able to show them how a release was supposed to happen, whether using fingers or a release aid. Of course learning how to aim with a Genesis bow was quite different for them after being used to shooting with scopes and pin sights.

At the Oak Ridge and Metropolis events, a large number of Kentucky NASP students made the trip to compete at this exciting venue. Even though the temperatures were very hot at both of these events, all the kids had a great time. (See related story about Metropolis on page four.)

It is exciting to see the level of enthusiasm that the directors of the ASA have for NASP. The ASA even offered BAI classes to certify new instructors at most of their Pro-Am events. It seems that the success of the NASP in Kentucky has opened the eyes of most people in archery, and they are impressed at the amount of talented kids that are participating in this great sport. It would seem that those involved in the industry see these kids as the future of archery, and I think we can expect to see them embrace our kids at more events as time goes on.

If you would like more information about entering your students at a “NASP @ASA” event next year, contact Ronda Jordan Elam at [rjelam@mchsi.com](mailto:rjelam@mchsi.com).

**LOOK FOR NEWS  
COMING SOON  
ABOUT A REGIONAL  
MEETING AND  
DISTRICTING!**



## Region III: Lisa Frye, Franklin County

For those of you that are always looking for a fabulous adventure...keep Metropolis, Il in mind for next summer. The Archery Shooters Association (ASA) hosts a NASP division in their tournament. The children have a chance to shoot alongside of Professionals. And to our kids, these ladies and gentlemen are their Supermen!

BAI (Basic Archery Instructor) Fall Training Sessions: Please share this information to teachers in Region 3 and 5. If you would like to begin an archery program at your school, the first step is a 6-hour (one-day) training. These trainings will be held in Frankfort at Second Street School.

BAI in Frankfort on Sat. Sept 16.  
BAIT in Frankfort on Mon., Tues., and Wed.  
(Oct. 9, 10, & 11)  
BAI in Frankfort on Wed., Oct. 11.

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## Region IV: Brenda Klaas, Boone County

In Region 4, we have trained 5 new schools over the summer. They are Simon Kenton HS and Latonia Elementary in Kenton County, Gray Middle School and RA Jones Middle School in Boone County and Dayton Elementary in Campbell County. We look forward to more growth in the upcoming months with the trainings that are being offered in September and October.

## Region V: Anita Bolen, Franklin County

### KDFWR Steps-Out with Legislators

On June 24 the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife invited the Kentucky Legislators and their families to “Step-Out” to the Anderson County Sportsman’s League to experience the outdoors. Several different outdoor sports were showcased at the club including the National Archery in the Schools Program. All of the shooting venues were open including the pistol range, rifle range and archery ranges. At the archery venue, participants were able to shoot the Genesis bows with the school targets and at 3-D targets. Participants went to the different venues and questions were answered either by KDFWR staff or the NASP representative. While the event was not well attended, everyone who came had a fun-filled day.

## Region VI: Richard Allen, Pulaski County

A BAI class for certification and re-certification was held on August 12 at Hopkins Elementary. Several parents who help with NASP at area schools attended to get certified; one from Boyle County and two from Somerset Christian School, who will be implementing a new NASP program into their PE curriculum and hopefully starting a new after school program. Another BAI class will be held in Monticello at a later date for new instructors and to re-certify those who need the updates. The Monticello Independent School System will also teach the NASP curriculum in their PE classes and in an after school program.

Talks have already begun with several coaches in the region to start planning some area competitions. By participating in local competitions, our teams will be better prepared for the district and regional competitions coming up soon. While practicing at school is great, competing on unfamiliar ground against students from other schools will prepare student archers for the pressure that is felt in a true tournament-qualifying event.

Also, the Kentucky Traditional Bowhunters Association in Mercer County will be holding a 3-D benefit shoot for a former NASP student who was killed in a motorcycle accident. He had just graduated from Laurel County where he participated in NASP and shot traditional archery. His younger brother is active on the NASP team at South Laurel, and all proceeds from the shoot will be donated to the South Laurel NASP program. If anyone needs more information on this benefit event, they may contact Richard Allen at [livingwater@kih.net](mailto:livingwater@kih.net) or Eddie Alexander at [ealexander@fhce.com](mailto:ealexander@fhce.com).

## Region VII: Wiley Faw, Bourbon County

Wiley has been named the new coordinator for Region VII. He is a 2002 graduate of Eastern Kentucky University and worked in the Lincoln County school system for two years as a coordinator for an after-school program for middle and high school students. This is where he began his archery experience by helping coach the Lincoln County archery team. While at Lincoln County, they hosted a county wide archery tournament and also competed in the State and National tournament where their high school division placed first.

Wiley has also been a soccer coach for the past 6 years. Two years ago, he moved to the Bourbon County area and took a job as the Adult Education Instructor. Last year he took a position at Bourbon Central Elementary and will continue this year teaching an Emotional and Behavior Disorder classroom in the Special Education Department. Wiley is currently working on his Master's degree at Georgetown College. He is very excited to have a new position here in Bourbon County as the regional coordinator for archery in this area.

Wiley and his wife, Missy, recently had their one year anniversary. She is the Occupational Therapist for the Bourbon Co. Schools. Wiley states that most of his free time is spent coaching and playing soccer. Any other free time he has is spent hunting, hiking, camping, biking and rock climbing.



## Region VIII: Denise Boggs, Elliott County

The summer has been quite slow with the summer off. A few of our archers chose to practice over the summer in the privacy of their backyard, while others chose to take a break. A break is okay because it can be helpful in relaxing their mind to start fresh, absent of bad habits, for a very successful year.

Carter County offered an archery camp to those that applied early in the season. The camp was very successful with approximately 50 students. Archery campers were divided into groups to participate in areas of 3-D animal target archery, balloon targets, hunter safety, and much more. According to Jamie Willis, President of Trophy Hunters Archery Club, everyone had a ball, both adults and young archers. Trophy Hunters is one of the oldest archery clubs in eastern Kentucky. They are very supportive of the young archers and are willing to help in anyway they can. The club has even opened the range for our local Kentucky NASP teams to enjoy themselves after competition is over. Thank you, Trophy Hunters Archery Club for your involvement in youth archery!

Also I'd like to congratulate Olive Hill Elementary and Louisa Elementary for joining NASP. I am also looking forward to Wurtland and East Carter joining NASP in the 8<sup>th</sup> Region.

Please share this information with teachers in Elliott, Carter, Greenup, Boyd, Lawrence, Martin, Magoffin, Johnson, and Morgan counties. If you would like to begin an archery program in your school for the 2006-2007 school year, the first step is the one-day training held in your region. These trainings will be held at Isonville, Elementary, Isonville, KY in Elliott County. If you are interested, please contact me at 606-738-8152 to arrange a training session at Isonville or even at your school.

I would really like to see more of our schools join NASP to introduce young students to the sport of archery.

## Region IX: Wayne Watts, Letcher County

On August 12th, the first Mountain Youth Outdoor Competition Day was held on L.M. (Mike) Caudill's farm at UZ, Kentucky. Mike, the CEO of Mountain Comprehensive Health Corps, donated the use of his 200-acre farm and fishpond. He is also a member of the League of KY Sportsmen (LKS), and a strong NASP supporter. Mike has been instrumental in securing funds through LKS for startup programs in each LKS region.

Organizations and persons sponsoring the event included the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTf), KY Fish and Wildlife (KDFW), LKS, National Archery in Schools Program (NASP), Letcher County Sheriff's Office, and the Letcher County Clerk Winston Meade. Volunteers from these organizations, plus several Eastern Kentucky political officials, gave their time to give kids a chance to learn about and enjoy our beautiful natural wonders and wildlife. Kids learned that, contrary to many opinions, there are many fun, healthy activities available here. There are also adults who are happy to give of their time to teach, mentor and help kids have fun and stay away from drugs.

Youth ages 1 to 17 traveled from several states to participate. They had the opportunity to learn and have friendly competitions in fishing, clay pigeon shooting, target shooting, archery, laser shooting, turkey calling, bait casting, and many other activities. I, along with local Game Wardens, was blessed to be able to sponsor the archery shoot, which was one of the favorites for both kids and parents. We definitely got rave reviews, not to mention publicity. We hope to take part in many more of these activities. We plan to have at least one archery shoot during our local festival season which runs through the end of September.

Kids who become involved in outdoor activities are more fit, healthier, have less discipline problems, tend to stay away from drugs and alcohol, and learn to respect and care for the environment and wildlife. Outdoor activities are also great ways for families to spend time together and develop strong relationships.

NWTf and KDFW sponsor youth activities throughout the year, including Youth Deer and Turkey Hunts in the fall and spring, and Youth Rabbit Hunts in winter. These hunts are designed to teach kids a fit lifestyle, sportsmanship, and a love for the outdoors. Since most of these sports include archery (bowhunting, bowfishing, etc.), they are also a boom to our program. Have a great school year.



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## Schedule of Events

- Sept. 11-12: BAI in Russellville (Contact Graham Cofield)
- Sept. 16: BAI in Frankfort (Contact Anita Bolen/Lisa Frye)
- Sept. 16: BAI in Ohio County (Contact Ronda Jordan-Elam)
- Sept. 30: BAI in Letcher County (Contact Wayne Watts)
- Sept. 30: BAI in Elliot County (Contact Denise Boggs)
- Sept. 30: BAI in Boone County (Contact Brenda Klaas)

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- Oct. 9: BAI in Monticello (Contact Richard Allen)
- Oct. 9-11: BAIT in Frankfort (Contact Lisa Frye/Anita Bolen)
- Oct. 11: BAI in Frankfort (Contact Lisa Frye/Anita Bolen)
- Oct. 14: BAI in Letcher County (Contact Wayne Watts)
- Oct. 21: BAI in Boone County (Contact Brenda Klaas)
- Oct. 28: BAI in Elliot County (Contact Denise Boggs)

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- **Nov. 18:** BAI in Letcher County (Contact Wayne Watts)
- **Nov. 18:** BAI in Elliot County (Contact Denise Boggs)

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### New Advanced Archery PD Offered to Teachers

KDE has approved the World Class Archery Coach’s Course as a 12 hour EILA Credit (# 07 EIL 5367). This course is designed for all archery instructors that want to begin coaching archers to improve general performance or to excel in competition. The course covers advanced shooting, coaching techniques and training philosophies for student athletes.

The Coach’s Course is presented by Coach Dee Falks, who is a NAA Level III Coach and NASP BAIT Specialist. This course curriculum is 50% lecture/seminar and 50% practical exercise. All course materials and archery equipment are provided. Course materials include a Course Workbook, Resource CD and Certificate of Completion. Course fee is \$150.00 per person with a class minimum of six.

Courses begin in October 2006. For more information and to schedule a course contact Jennie Richardson, KDFWR, NASP Archery Coordinator, Kentucky, office 606-549-9918, cell 606-521-0421, fax 606-549-5284, or email rich4641@bellsouth.net .

## Annual Wild Game Cook-off huge success: Money raised for Kentucky NASP...Great time had by all

*By Mark Elam, Editor*

Scott King, of Field and Stream Outfitters in Louisville, held the second annual Wild Game Cook-off on July 15 At his location on Bardstown Road. Even though the weather was steamy hot, a huge turnout of sportsmen and women were on hand to sample the unique recipes , visit with other outdoor minded people and most importantly, to support NASP.

The Wild Game Cook-off is a competition for a variety of wild game dishes. “Official tasters” are cook-off patrons who paid an entry fee for the pleasure of tasting as many recipes as they’d like. There were approximately 40 different entries in several different categories such as fish, deer, game birds, exotic game, or school teams. The judges had the daunting task of tasting a little bit of everything, then placing their vote for what they thought tasted best in each category. A large number of vendors were also on hand to showcase

their products, and a HUGE number of door prizes were given.

When all was said and done, Field and Stream Outfitters raised over \$10,500 for Kentucky NASP. King was very excited to present the check to Jennie Richardson, Kentucky NASP state coordinator. He stated that he hopes to continue this fund raising event on an annual basis and that he takes great pleasure in helping finance schools in his region to participate in NASP.



# Kentucky NASP Students continue to compete in other archery venues

By: Mark Elam  
Editor

It is very exciting when Kentucky student archers take their interest in archery to the next level. It is even more exciting when they are successful with their new endeavors. According to Olympic Archery Coach Lee, there is more raw talent coming out of Kentucky than any other state. Coincidence? It is obvious that the success of Kentucky NASP is bringing kids forward and showcasing talents that may have remained hidden forever.

One example that has already been mentioned is the success of Graham Cofield. Graham is a four-time NASP World Champion and current student at Western Kentucky University. After graduating from Trigg County High School, Graham began competing in the "Limited" class in the ASA. At the culminating tournament, known as the ASA Classic, Graham finished fifth overall. With such a strong finish to the year, he has accepted a position on the pro-staff for Mathews Archery. He will be shooting in the "Limited Pro" division, which is a pro class for finger shooters. Graham is currently working with his WKU advisor on scheduling his classes around every ASA, IBO and NFAA event for 2007.

Another example is Graham's brother, Grady Cofield, who is a sophomore at Trigg County High School. Grady won the boys middle school division at the 2005 National Tournament and placed second overall at the same tournament. Since that time, Grady has started competing in Olympic style archery. This past year, 2006, was his first year to compete in Olympic style archery, and his accomplishments in his first year are remarkable. After a string of top ten finishes, Grady culminated his season by finishing seventh in the Cadet Division in the NAA World Trials. What a huge accomplishment!

Region six archers Ashley Rose, who won the female NASP National title twice, and Chad Leigh are currently participating in activities at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, CO. They were both contacted and asked to make the trip out west to begin to work on an Olympic-style regime in preparation for the team try-outs. We will hopefully get news and information from them when they return home soon!

These four archers are just a few of Kentucky's students who are seeking other avenues and outlets to showcase their archery talent. It is only a matter of time before we see Kentucky's first NASP kids on the Professional awards stage and at the Olympic games!

## Educator Instructors Wanted

By Tim Slone, KDFWR Director of Information and Education

KDFWR is interested in recruiting educators as volunteer Hunter Education Instructors to assist with classes for students. The Department wants to provide more opportunities for youngsters to obtain Hunter Education and Training certification. Due to the larger number of students interested in hunting after completing the NASP programs in Kentucky schools, more Hunter Education classes are needed.

Hunter Education instructors are dedicated to improving the sport of hunting through teaching of ethics, conservation wildlife management, proper use of hunting equipment and safety. The knowledge, skills and attitudes that students learn in this course will stay with them for a life time.

Instructor certification includes training in firearms equipment, basic shooting skills and hunting techniques, archery, hunter safety, survival and first aid.

Educators who are potentially interested in becoming Certified Hunter Education Instructors should contact Hunter Education Supervisor Bill Balda at 1-800-858-1549 or at bill.balda@ky.gov.

## Youth Archery Workshop

The 9th District League of the Kentucky Sportsmen (Cumberland Valley Sports League) will host a youth archery workshop on Tuesday, Sept. 19. This workshop is for NASP teams with instruction beginning at 8 a.m.

On Saturday, Sept. 30, an open workshop will also be held at their location in Corbin. Instruction begins at 8 a.m. This workshop is open to parents, as well as students who may or may not be participating in their school's program. The League hopes to introduce interested students to archery and to provide parents with working knowledge of the basics of shooting and equipment to better help their child learn proper techniques.

Everyone must pre-register with Jennie Richardson. Cost is \$3 per person, including a snack, with proceeds going to assist schools in starting NASP programs.

Schools may apply for grants by contacting State Coordinator Jennie Richardson.

## GET Local Shoot schedules:

Club name	Location	Contact name	Number
4D Archery	Bethlehem	Tommy Downey	502-845-5392
Flat Creek	Rock Holds	Tommy Rose	606-549-5666
KTBA (Trad)	Harrodsburg	Eddie Alexander	859-238-9765
Christian Archers	Wilmore	Todd Pauley	859-223-7570
Cedar Hills	Harrodsburg	Robert Lyons	859-366-4441
AFEL	Richmond	Billy Daniels	859-582-8619
Beechwood	Irvine	Doyle Graham	606-723-2352
Red River	Stanton	Kevin Rogers	606-663-8288
Mountain View	Richmond	Linda Renfro	859-625-5425
White Oak	Danville	Tim Compton	606-287-3978
NKBA	Boone	Earl Gossett	859-384-3582
Monroe Co.	Gamaliel	Felisa Brooks	270-487-8519
Forks of the River	Mammoth Cave	Rob Sailing	270-286-4255
Mercer County	Mercer Co.	Hope Carlton	859-865-2291